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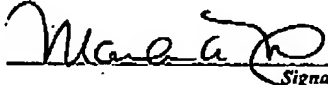
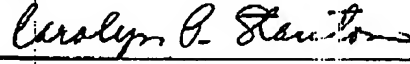
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- Amendment in response to Office Action dated April 15, 2005

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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b>					Docket No. <b>16291-424</b>	
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Invention: <b>STARCH AND FIBER MIXTURE FOR PAPERMAKING AND METHODS OF MAKING PAPER WITH THE MIXTURE</b>						
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The applicants respectfully request that the within amendments be entered of record as same cancel, without prejudice, the claims rejected in the Office Action over the prior art and comply with

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requirements of form for the claims which are indicated as allowable by the Examiner.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.